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SENATOR CHAMBERS: I want to strike that, but I'm not going to do it now because I want to give you time to talk to those you're working with to see if they had a reason for putting this here instead of just giving people a chance to vent and heap on. There's a point when they can do that outside of the courtroom, outside of proceedings. They can talk to the media. They can call these nutty call-in shows and anything else they want to do, but when we're talking about official court proceedings, I want to maintain a certain decorum and integrity which is not available when you have people coming in who have no connection with the case other than that they say, well, we advocate for victims so we want to come in and tell you what we think ought to be done. We think you ought to hang him up by his...by his thumbs and, while he's hanging, we think you ought to cut off one testicle at a time.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then...it's a good thing you stopped me, Mr. Speaker. I was making my way some place where you may not have wanted me to go.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Baker.

SENATOR BAKER: I'm just going to address Senator Synowiecki's amendment. It's refreshing to have a new person come in here with obviously a large...a good degree or a high degree of professional background here with some...lots of experience in this area, and I certainly support his amendment and I can see why he thinks it will be important and I ask you to adopt Senator Synowiecki's FA901. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Baker, your light was on next. Further debate. Senator Synowiecki, you're recognized to close. He waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the Synowiecki amendment. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Voting on the adoption of the Synowiecki amendment. Have you all voted who care to? Record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the amendment,